# Watchman & Journal.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1883.

#### Local Items.

Go to A. T. Straw & Co.'s, Waterbury, for new furniture.

READ the advertisement of the Nantasket Roller Skate Co., of Lowell, Mass., in another column.

WANTED-A capable woman to do housework in a small family. Call at this office for information.

Expuss charges naid one way on bills of \$3 00 and over at Lewando's French dye house, 17 Temple Place, Boston, U. S. A.

A. T. STRAW & Co., Waterbury, furnished the new boarding-house at Waterbury Center and have a little furniture left for other cus-

Large line of underwear, corsets, wool yarns, cloaks and seasonable dress goods, just received at J. G. Morrison & Co.'s, State street store. Look at their line of ladies' dress fiannels and the undervest they are selling at fifty cents.

CHAMBER sets, lounges, tables, chairs, and a full line and good assortment of furniture of all kinds, woven wire matresses, husk and hair mattresses, spring beds and everything needed for furnishing a house at A. T. Straw & Co.'s, Waterbury.

#### Current Mention.

THE September term of Chittenden county court will begin on Tuesday of next week.

ABOUT five hundred participated in the excursion to Weirs last Thursday. The day was a perfect one and the trip was very enjoyable. The train was on time going and coming.

WE are informed that a change will be made in the color of the new postal notes when the next lot is issued. The present peculiar color of the face renders it difficult to see the writing

Ir now turns out that it was St. Albans, Maine, and not Vermont, where the financial crookedness in town affairs occurred, which was referred to in our extract from the Boston Traveller inst week.

THE September term of Washington county court was nominally opened yesterday, but was at once adjourned till next Tuesday when Judge Redfield, who is now holding court in Orleans county, will be present.

RECEIVER RICH of the St. Albans Trust Company has gone with an expert to investigate the Norwood lumber property, and soon after his return will be ready to make a detailed statement of the affairs of the Trust Company.

THE men who were injured in the accident at Colchester are all doing very well except the fireman, Chilson, who has improved but little and is still suffering greatly. He is receiving skillful medical attention and careful nursing. and it is hoped that he may recover.

LAST week a party of gentlemen began survey of the battle-field of Bennington for the purpose of marking permanently the points and places of interest. Baum's entrenchments and the Tory breastwork were laid out the first day, and the work will be continued until

THE Central Vermont railroad will give a low rate of five dollars. Tickets good to go leaving New York, up to and including Wednesday, September 26th.

On Thursday last at Albany, N. Y., the Central Vermont Marble company was organized with a capital of \$500,000. The directors are Green B. Raum, late commissioner of internal revenue, James Gilfillan, late United States treasurer, and Coryden Karr of Buffalo. This marble property is located in Pittsford, and is very valuable.

THE Montpelier & Wells River railroad advertises an excursion next Saturday to Newport, Vt., where the opera, Iolanthe, will be presented in the afternoon. The fare for the round trip, including admission to the opera is as follows: From Montpelier, East Montpelier, Plainfield and Marshfield, \$1.50; other stations on the line, \$1.25. The attraction offered and the low rates of fare will doubtless draw a good company.

A VENDOR of small beer, lemonade and peanuts at the muster conceived the idea that he had been defrauded of a few pennies by the "sojer boys" and asked Colonel Greenleaf for a guard. The obliging colonel cheerfully granted the request-with instructions to the guard to allow no soldier to approach the booth of the complaining keeper. This was protection that protected, the only draw back about it being that it reduced sales and diminished profits.

THE third annual musical festival of the Burlington Philharmonic society will be held October 9-12 inclusive at the Howard opera house The following musicians have been engaged: Miss Fanny Kellogg, soprano; Miss Ita Weich, contralto; Mr. G. W. Want, tenor; Mr. D. M. Babcock, basso; Mrs. Martha Dana Shepard, planist; Charles N. Allen, leader of orchestra; Carl Zerrahn, conductor. A chorus of at least two hundred and fifty voices is already assured. Further particulars will be given soon.

EDITOR CHASE of the Lyndon Union has the following appreciative reference to the present proprietor of the Landmark, in his account of a haps the richest part of the whole thing was trip to Maquam bay: "At Morrisville we told him (the Californian) about Morrisville's former intellectual giant, A. A. Earle; of his newspaper experience in Irasburgh, Barton, Bradford, St. Johnsbury, Morrisville and White River Junction; of his fight with General Grout and Dr. Bullard; of his great horse trot in Waitsfield, and of his headlong flight through the Waitsfield underbrush, while attempting to put distance between outraged patrons of that entertainment and the projector thereof; and, lastly, we told him about Earle's entire dissimliarity to the Cardiff giant. In response to our description of Earle's rise and progress, the Californian pertinently inquired: 'Why don't Barnum or Forepaugh catch that fellow and make a fortune by advertising and exhibiting the biggest dance on earth?"

A REUNION of the Tenth Regiment Vermont Volunteers was held at St. Johnsbury September 7th. A goodly number were present. The regiment is to continue its reunions with greater elected for the year ensuing: Colonel A. B. tary and treasurer. It was voted that as far attempt to supply their special wants; and

of all the living members of the regiment and to this end it is desired that members send to the secretary their names and the names of others they may know with the letter of their company and present address. They should also notify the secretary when their address is changed. The association adjourned to meet next fall at the call of the officers. Vermont papers will oblige the Tenth Regiment by giving this notice a place in their columns.

In Woodstock the perseverance of some ladies for a few years in behalf of a free library has achieved the following results: A collection of some sixteen hundred volumes has been secured, and suitably catalogued, and since March, 1880, when the library was opened with five hundred and thirty-one volumes, these books have been used by about eleven hundred different persons. Books may be drawn Wednesday and Saturday afternoons and evenings; and at the present rate of use more than seven thousand issues will be made in a year, the semi-weekly average of books taken being over seventy. And now, as a glo-rious crowning of these humble but earnest efforts, a wealthy and benevolent Philadelphian, formerly a resident of Woodstock, Dr. Williams, erects for the town a beautiful \$30,000 library building, which our honest and talented townsman, George H. Guernsey, is engaged in constructing. Of course such a building means more books from some source, and ultimately a well endowed educational institution of which Woodstock may reasonably be proud.

THE St. Albans Messenger is at length telling the plain truth about the St. Albans Trust Company's affairs. It calls for the indictment of Lawrence Brainerd and the management of the company at the coming term of Franklin county court. Of one painful phase of the history of this affair the Messenger says: "The cases of individual hardships and distress that are daily coming to light as a consequence of President Brainerd's mismanagement are sufficiently harrowing; but no feature of the disclosures is worse than the taking of deposits from poor people on the last day the bank was open to the public, when he must have known that his bank was not in a sound condition. If there are any circumstances to be pleaded in extenuation of this action they have not been made public." Curiously enough the facts upon which the Messenger bases its strictures and its call for the criminal prosecution of the officers of the company are none other than those which THE WATCHMAN published sevaral weeks ago. In estimating the probability of realizing on the Norwood property it appears to think the figures given by our informant were about right after all.

THE Baldwin mill at Groton Pond was raised last week It is one hundred and eighty feet long, thirty-five feet wide and two stories high. The workmen claim it will be the best mill in the state. A boarding house ninety feet long and two stories high is completed. The second story contains twenty-five rooms. The first story contains office, kitchen, dining-room twenty by twenty-seven feet, and a number of small rooms. The attic is unfinished but has space for about twenty-five rooms. Three double tenement houses are up and being finished. Two more are soon to be raised. A store, thirty by sixty feet, two stories, with tenement overhead will be commenced very shortly. The mill will be fitted with new and improved machinery, comprising double saws, grand excursion this month from Burlington cut-off saws, jig saws, edging and surfacing to New York and return at the remarkably and dressing machines, and will have a producing capacity of some 40,000 feet of inmber Wednesday, September 19; good to return, per day. The property has recently been purchased of the Messrs, Baldwin by the Groton Pond company, in which Mr. J. S. Potter of Newton Center, Mass., is chief owner. In addition to the 5,200 acres of woodland bought of the Baldwins, Mr. Potter has purchased 1,400 acres additional.

THE Free Press had a very neat burlesque one day last week on the Vershire veterans' reunion, giving a full report of such a gathering together with an alleged poem which was credited to "Colonel" C. S. Forbes. We give the remarkable metrical production in full:

Listen, my children, and you shall hear Of the terrible raid on fair Vershire, How the brave militia cause riding down In charcoal carts to Ely town.

Twas at the dawn of a summer day; The mist on the hills hung thick and gray, And the drowsy star-worlds one by one Sank in the light-waves from the sun.

No trainn was there of martial feet, Or bugle's 'larium or drain's sharp beat, But the erainching sound on the gritty road Of the prancing earts that the troops bestrod

A Hundred and Fifty with bated breath Riding into the jaws of death! For who could fell behind what tree The miner and his gun might be?

Boldly they rode for the state they loved

With thumping hearts but brows unmoved And abon went round the whispered word-"Prepare to attack the rebei borde."

Just as the sun sprang up in heaven, The order, "Get out of the caris!" was given Then up the hill the soldiers crept. Into the town where the rebels slept.

All in a moment the thing was done! Was ever a battle so quickly won? A stripping of bed-clothes—a drowsy grow! A clicking of handcoffs—and that was all!

The battle of Vershire now is o'er, And the miner threatens the state no more; But the deed of the soldiers shall long be told When they are slumb'ring 'neath the mold.

Major John C. Stearns of Bradford was reported as delivering a patriotic and eloquent oration which the association voted to have printed and he was elected historian for the coming year. It was gravely stated that the President of the United States and his cabinet, the general of the army and his staff, the Prince of Wales, Count Von Moltke, Comte de Paris, the Czar of Russia and Arabi Bey were elected honorary members of the association. Per-

that the Boston Journal and Springfield Republican took it all in and reported it as a fact, THERE is a class of "reformers," self-styled as a rule, who take it upon themselves to condemn the newspapers as being slow to endorse or fearful of the consequences of endorsing the vagaries and conceits of people who have but one idea in their heads and, while it may be an excellent one, thoroughly impracticable Such "reformers" are referred to the sensible remarks of the Portland Press upon this subject: "Dally newspapers are not published primarily as the means of propagating philanthropies, but as business enterprises. People want to know what is going on in the world. The newspaper undertakes to inform them and expects to make the business of supplying information profitable. The editor of each paper must judge for himself what news he will give and how he will give it. If there are a sufficient number of people who want to kngw more about the temperance work, or interest than ever. The following officers were foreign missions, or some sect of Christians, or natural science, or philology, or agricultural, Jewett of St. Johnsbury, president; General or fashions, or sports than they find in the W. W. Henry of Burlington, vice-president; newspapers devoted to politics and the general Dr. E. J. Foster of Waterbury Center, secre- interests of society, somebody will be found to

interested in the advancement of particular right to do as they have done and that the concauses, purely as a matter of duty and charity. Any person or an organization that can afford regard to the tastes and prejudices of their constituencies, and the organs of particular philbe a friend and allay of good causes without filling its columns with statistics and lectures for which most of its readers do not care."

"LOOK on this picture and then on that." A few weeks ago, in a spirit of fairness, THE WATCHMAN published a letter from an aggrieved individual in reply to some criticisms upon his official conduct, made by a correspondent in the previous issue of this paper. For this our infallible neighbor, the Argus and Patriot, read us a severe lecture saying, among other expressions of hypervirtuous indignation, that "the Argus, in common with all reputable papers," stood by its correspond-During the absence of the editor-inchief at Camp Watson this summer this indentical WATCHMAN correspondent "edited" the Argus. For the sake of showing how "a reputable paper's" practice comports with its easy precepts, we publish below some extracts from the paper as "run" by the editor pro tem, and side by side the utterances of the editor-in-chief on the same subject after his return from Camp Watson. The concord is quite as striking as in the famous auti-Butler editorial and the pro-Butler banquet speech last winter:

From the Argus of Ang. 29. From the Argus of Sept. 5 under the editor pro tem. the editor-in-chief at home

From the Argus of Ang. 28, under the celitor pro term.
Section 207 of the Bevised Laws says that an inspector of finance, who shall not be a stockholder or officer in a savings bank or trust company, shall be biennially appointed by the governor. The propriety of such a law is obvious. It seems that some six years ago Lawrence Brainerd borrowed about \$25,000 of the National Life Insurance Co., and piederd 280 shares of the St. Albans Trust Company as security for the loan. The innover bas continued to hold the stock until now. The discovery of this fact has made a good deal of commotion among the depositors at St. Albans, and some painful reflections are cast upon the reasons which induced Mr. Dewey to pass by the condition of things, which he discovered in July, in silence. We do not believe there is the slightest foundation for these criticisms, yet we must admit that the holding of the stock is an

there is the slightest foundation for these criticisms, yet we must admit that the holding of the stock is an unfortunate circumstance. Of course the claim can be properly made that Mr. Dewey himself does not and never did hold any stock in the trust-company. On the other hand, as the more angry of the depositors say, Mr. Dewey is the head and front of the National Life, and is as interested in any stock which that company holds as if he holds it himself, and consequently the spirit of the law, if not its letter, is violated by his appointment. As far as Mr. Dewey's efficiency as inspector is concerned, we do not believe that the holding of the stock by his company had any unfavorable influence, yet we are free to say that under the circumstances he ought not to have taken the office, and we do not believe that the governor would have appointed him had he known it. The National Life expects to lose the loan, as the stock, of course, will be suped out by the failure.

The italics are our own

To say that a man should not be inspector of finance because a contrainy that he is an officer of happens to hold stock of a treat com-vany as collateral for a loan, is puerile in the ex-treme.

The finance committee of the National Life Insur-nces Commany is composed the National Life Insurance Company's composed of Hon. Charles Dewy, W. H. H. Klogham and Gen. P. P. Pikin. The loan of Schools to the St. Albane Trist Company was approved by them all, and would have been considered a first-class investment by any one having money to loan. That "the National Life expects to tose the loan" is entirely incorrect; in fact, the National Life expects to realize a good percentage of the albanual.

The italics are our own. The liberality with shows that the proprietor is in charge again and doing his best to salve over the wounds inflicted by his enterprising assistant. While we are sincerely grieved at this evidence that the Argus and Patriot no longer stands among the "reputable papers" who back up their assistants, we are constrained to say that the editorin-chief shows better judgment than his guileless substitute.

A REARING was commenced in Rutland in the United States circuit court last Wednesday in the case of Rowland G. Hazard of Peacedale, Rhode Island, a large stockholder of the Vermont & Canada railroad company against the Consolidated railroad company of Vermont, the Vermont & Canada railroad company and the American Loan and Trust company of Boston. The hearing, says the Rutland Herald, was on motion for a preliminary injunction restraining the defendant from carrying out the compromise agreement for the settling of the old Vermont Central litigation, and the issuing of the bonds in pursuance of that agreement. It is the same as the suit that Hazard brought in June last in Boston, against the American Judge Field of the Massachusetts supreme court granted an injuction against the issuing of tiating for the purchase of the Southeastern bonds by the Trust company, but as the real matter to be settled was the construction of a deposit any sum as a guarantee to creditors. Vermont statute and as Judge Field had no jurisdiction over the Vermont railroads which | treal, they state, brought virtually an ultima, entered into the compromise agreement, he thought a suit should be brought in Vermont and the dissolution or continuance of his injunction was made to depend upon the result of the hearing before Judge Wheeler. The bill recites the history of the compromise agreement, which was effected under No. 35 of the laws of 1882, the several section of which reads as follows: "When two railroads are encumbered by a lien or liens upon the two roads, the company owning either road may issue bonds on the time and rate of interest provided by section 3350 of the Revised Laws, for the purpose of extinguishing such lien or liens and compromising disputes, and the same may be secured by mortgage or mortgages of both roads by vote of the stockholders of the companies owning said roads." The plaintiff claims that that part of the compromise scheme which provides that the stock of the Vermont & Canada railroad shall be excharged for bonds of the Consolidated railroad company of Vermont (the successor of the old Vermont Central railroad company), at the rate of \$3 of Vermont & Canada railroad company stock for one dollar bonds is ultra vires and beyond the power of the railroads to do, and therefore void. The prayer of the plaintiff's bill asks that the mortgage executed by the Vermont & Canada railroad company jointly with the Consolidated railroad company of Vermont, be declared void as to the Vermont & Canada railroad company, and constitute no lien on the Vermont & Canada railroad, and that the bonds be declared void as against the Vermont & Canada railroad company, and also that the contract by which the Vermont & Canada railroad company remitted all overdue rent and provided that the future rents until the bonds be paid be only \$1 per year, be declared void and that the Consolidated railroad company of Vermont be decreed to pay the sums due into court, and also asking for general relief, etc.

The defendants claim that the statute in ques-

solidation agreement and issuing of the bonds is in all respects legal and valid and that the the luxury is at liberty to print a newspaper to plaintiff'is guilty of gross neglect in not beforward his own views; but journals that must ginning his suit until the compromise had been pay their own expenses have to be edited with affected and all arrangements made to issue the bonds. The plaintiff was represented by Hon, W. L. Burnap of Burlington and Elias anthropies should recognize that a journal may Merwin, Esq., of Boston, while the defendant was represented by Senator George F. Edmunds, Hon. Daniel Roberts and Hon. W. G. Shaw, all of Burlington; Hon. B. F. Fifield of Montpelier, Hon. Henry D. Hyde and A. S. Hall, Esq., of Boston, the latter of whom is the law part ner of Hon. F. A. Brooks. The hearing was continued during Thursday and the decision was reserved. The result of this suit is very important upon the compromise agreement If the suit should be decided in favor of the plaintiff it would either upset the compromise agreement or essentially retard it, and be liable to open the floodgate of litigation in a manner that would make the old Vermont Central litigation seem small. Turn annual specion of the Varmont Central

> Baptist Association was held at Groton September 5th and 6th. The andience room of the church was suitably decorated. The officers as elected for the ensuing year are Rev. J. A. Pierce of West Randolph, moderator; Rev. H. C. Robbins of Sharon, clerk; E. O. Hibbard of Randolph, treasurer. A portion of the first day was devoted to the reception of letters, giving reports from the churches composing the association. Sermons were given by Revs. O. J. Taylor of East Bethel and S. A. Reed of Passumpsic. Addresses on the nature and methods of revival work by Revs. L. B. Steele of Vershire and H. C. Robbins of Sharon. Wednesday evening Rev. N. W. Alger, state missionary of the Vermont Baptist convention, gave a practical and instructive address. Reports and addresses were also given in accordance with the programme submitted by Rev. W. A. Worthington, chairman of the committee of arrangements, as follows: Sabpath-school work, Rev. E. D. Mason of Montpelier, Descon E. E. Andrews of Berlin, E. O. Hibbard. Thursday morning was occupied by reports and speakers on special topics, viz: Home Missions, Revs. J. A. Pierce and W. A. Worthington; Foreign Missions, Rev. O. J. Taylor. The interests of the Sabbath-schools within the limits of the association were discussed by several speakers in five-minute talks. Wednesday afternoon the subject of practical benevolence was ably presented by Rev. E. D. Mason of Montpelier. This was followed by a general conference sustained by many of the delegates present, the theme being "Practical During the day the association Religion." was favored with eloquent sermons by Revs. J. A. Pierce and E. D. Mason. The next annual session occurs at Montpelier. The following clergymen have special appointments by vote of the association: Annual sermon, Rev. H. C. Robbins, Sharon; assignments of special topics: benevolence, Rev. L. B. Steele, Vershire; Sabbath-school work, Rev. E. D. Mason, Montpelier; Vermont Baptist State Dervention, its work and methods, Rev. J. A. Pierce; Foreign Missions, Rev. W. A. Worthington of Groton.

ALL prospects of the Southeastern railway

being sold to the syndicate of New York cap-

italists appear to be at an end for the present, and the floating creditors of the road are likely to be frozen out. The New York syndicate claimed that it stood in the position of Mr. Barlow, the president of the road, having agreed Monday, where they will spend a couple of three-fourths of the capital stock, and as that gives the control, the syndicate asked the directors to retire and allow it to manage the road. The New York capitalists had no legal transfer from the ex-president, which, in his present position, he cannot give. Not a dollar had been deposited to secure the agreement to liquidate the liabilities of the road, most of which are due the Canadian Pacific. If these reputed capitalists could get a transfer of the road for absolutely nothing, the directors of the Canadian Pacific thought they might as well keep it themselves. What the latter are most anxious about is to get the floating debt paid off or secured, and the Canadian Pacific railroad company made a proposition in the interest of the creditors that the syndicate deposit \$500,000 in the bank of Montreal as security for the bona fide execution of the agreement To this demand the syndicate did not assent At a meeting held in Montreal the president of the Canadian Pacific, on behalf of that company, made a demand that the mortgage which the company holds should be foreclosed, as three months have passed without payment of Loan and Trust company of Boston in which interest. In explanation of their side of the story the New York capitalists who were negodeny that they refused or have been asked to The deputation which waited on them at Montum from the Canadian Pacific, offering them the Southeastern on condition that its claim be paid in full at once, and with the understanding that there should be no interchange of business between the two roads. The New Yorkers not desiring to own the road and be exposed to the possible opposition of the new line and a fight with the Canadian Pacific, declined the proposition. It is understood in a general way that the syndicate did not have any money themselves, but hoped to gain control of the road and then interest some New York capitalists in the scheme. It is openly affirmed, however, that Mr. Barlow's enemies were in his own camp, and the Boston Times says: "The betrayal of Bradley Barlow, president and owner of the Southeastern railway, by A. B. Chaffee, his secretary-treasurer and one of his directors, into the hands of his chief creditor, the Canadian Pacific syndicate, which act seems to have been since consummated by aid of the votes of Emmons Raymond, J. Thomas Vose and one or two others whom Mr. Barlow had unsuspectingly taken into his board, was on the whole one of the most heartless, cruel and ungrateful acts of savagery in the whole history of milway wrecking."

### Personal. GENERAL W. W. GROUT will deliver the ad-

dress at the Orange county fair.

GOVERNOR BARSTOW, while at St. Johnsbury. was the guest of Colonel F. Fayette Fletcher. HON, WILLIAM P. DILLINGHAM of Waterbury will deliver the address at Mad River was \$4 500. Valley fair, Waitsfield, September 19th.

GEORGE M. CLARK, the ill-known minstrel, cut his hand quits s seems determined to gradually destroy himself.

MAJOR GENERAL STEPHEN THOMAS WILL ACT as chairman of marking committee during the coming excursion of Sheridan's veterans to the Shenandoah valley, for the purpose of designat-

as possible the secretary should keep a register often papers are started and sustained by those tion is broad enough and gives them a perfect ing the different positions taken by the Union army during the battle of Cedar Creek, October 19, 1864.

> MR. JAMES HINCKLEY, formerly of Burlington, and the eldest son of the late Captain Silas Hinckley, has purchased the New York Graphic.

> O. H. HENDERSON of St. Johnsbury has been appointed grand secretary of the Odd Fellows of Vermont, in place of H. M. Currier of Bratdeboro, resigned.

> REV. DAVID FOSTER ESTES has just resigned his pastorate at Vergennes, and accepted the professorship in the Biblical department of the Freedmen's school at Atlanta, Georgia.

GOVERNOR BARSTOW has appointed A. E. Rankin, Esq., of St. Johnsbury and Professor C. H. Dotton of Poultney delegates to the national educational convention at Louisville, Ky. REV. MERRITT HULBURD and family of Ben-

nington go to New York this week, and Mr. Hulburd enters at once upon his pastorate of the Washington Square Methodist church of that city. DEACON ELIAS TINKHAM, one of Pomfret's oldest inhabitants, died Sunday, September 2,

aged ninety years and seven months. Deacon Tinkham was one of the best of men. He was father of O. M. Tinkham, agricultural editor of the Montpelier Freeman. MR. CHARLES L. SMITH of St. Albans, while attempting to board a moving train at Swan-

ton, Saturday morning, was thrown violently down and was badly cut and bruised by the trucks of the passenger car. It is not considered that he is fatally hurt, however.

S. M. GLEASON of Thetford has been appointed receiver of the property of the Vermont copper mining company at Vershire, in the suit against the company brought by Manager Cazin. The receivership also includes the property of the Goddard mine at Corinth.

FREDERICK BILLINGS of Woodstock, T. H. Canfield of Burlington and Hon, Justin S. Morrill were among the party of three hundred that left New York last week for the Northwest, where they participated in the ceremo nies attending the opening of the Northern Pacific railroad, as guests of the Northern Pacific rallway company, which bears the entire expenses of the whole party.

REV. SAMUEL KELLEY of the Methodist Episcopal church, died at his home in Quincy Mass., on Thursday. He was seventy-eight years old, and had held pastorates in Vermont, New Hampshire and Massachusetts, his fields of labor in this state being at Montpelier and Brattleboro. He was chaplain of the Vermont house of representatives for one year, and served in the same capacity for a brief period at the Massachusetts state prison.

## Montpelier.

H. C. WEESTER leaves to-morrow for the New

J. H. BURPKE is at home again after quite an extended western trip. THERE was a pleasant tea party at the house of L. Bart Cross Saturday evening.

MRS. AND MRS. JOHN B. THURSTON are in Boston this week, going last Saturday. EVENING preaching will be resumed at Trin-

ty church next Sunday, at seven o'clock MESSES C. W. PORTER, L. Bart Cross and George E. Taplin were in Boston last week. Miss Maggie Harmis, who has been at work or S. C. Woolson, left for Burlington yesterday. MISSES MARY REED and Ruth Jewett leave to-day to pursue their studies at Northampton. W. E. Adams and family left for Beston

GEORGE P. DEWEY is away on a two weeks' vacation, having started directly from the muster.

MISS ANNA CHANDLER gave a party friends last evening, as did Miss Carrie

MISS HELEN DEWEY left last week for tawa, Canada, where she will attend school the

coming year. Our Mr. Frrom who has been a town charge r many years, died last Thursday and was

buried Friday. MISSES EMMA INGRAHAM and Etta Thompson of the WATCHMAN force have returned from

their vacations. THE funeral of Thomas Eagan, who died on Sunday, occurred yesterday forenoon at the Catholic church.

EDWARD L. SMITH started yesterday morn-

ing for New Haven, Conn., where he will begin his sophomore year at Yale college. MONTPELIER will contribute its quota to the state fair this year. Some went yesterday and more will attend to-day and to-morrow.

THE Sunday train has been taken off and those who depended on the Sunday Herald for their good reading are now left in despair. AT 8 meeting of Brooks Post, Grand Army of the Republic, appropriate resolution

of the Republic, appropriate resolutions wadopted on the death of Oscar N. Webster. W. W. NEWCOMB, who is with A. G. Stone has been at his home in Brattleboro some tim sick with typhoid fever, but has now returned

in good health. Among those outside of Company H who took in the muster last week were Colonel Fred Smith, Hon. Charles Dewey, and Arthur Ropes of the WATCHMAN.

A REGULAR communication of Aurora lodge o 22, Free and Accepted Masons, will be held at Masonic hall, on Monday evening, Septem-

ber 17th, at half-past seven o'clock. THERE will be a home missionary concert at the Baptist church next Sunday evening. Mrs. Mason will make remarks upon her work in the South. All are cordially invited.

LEAVITT'S MINSTRELS are booked for Capital Hall, Saturday evening, September 22d. company gave an entertainment here last ter which was very satisfactory to the h was very satisfactory to the large andience in attendance.

STREET commissioner John L. Tuttle is doing a commendable work on the highways. State street has been greatly improved by the gravel spread thereon and Main street is now receiving the same treatment.

A SLIGHT fire caught in Orange Fifield's nouse yesterday forenoon in the room occu-sied by him as an office, but was speedily dis-sovered and extingui-hed. Some valuable papers had a narrow escape.

L. P. GLEASON started Monday for the Bos ton and New York markets to buy his stock of goods for the fall trade. He will return the latter part of this week and will make his anement in our next issue.

WE are indebted to W. A. Wheaton of St. Paul, Minn., for a late copy of the Pioneer Press, giving a full account of the reception ex-tended by that city to President Villard of the Northern Pacific, and his party.

PRESIDENT PORTER of Yale college and E. J. Pheips of Burlington were at the Pavilion last week. Mr. Phelps has given regular instruc-tion in law at Yale during the past year, and is spoken of as very popular among the students D. C. SLOAN has purchased of O. D. Scribner the building now occupied by the latter, and will occupy it soon. Mr. Scribner will probably remain in trade, but will remove to some other location. The price paid for the property was \$4.500

ALL the elements for a first-class strike existed among some of the boarders at Kempton's last week, but the matter at issue was amicably arranged without resorting to extreme measures. All his patrons are highly pleased with Mr. Kempton's table.

THE Troy Times says there is a town in Vermont that has only one policeman, and that every night the church bells are rung at inter-

vals of five minutes in order to rouse him to a sense of his duty. Perhaps this explains how Carr's store was so boldly robbed not long since.

REV. JOHN CURRIER, father of Mrs. P. H. Hinckley, preached at Bethany church last Sunday morning. Mr. Currier is a marked example of well preserved old age. Although about eighty years of age, he delivered a very interesting discourse without the aid of notes and in an impressive manner.

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It is quite certain that no company surpassed the Montpelier in all soldierly qualities and attainments at the late muster. We believe it just and fair to say that the Kingsley Guards of Rutiand, the Esteys of Brattleboro and the Capitals of Montpeller displayed the greatest proficiency and were of nearly equal merit. The appearance of the Capitals was in the highest degree complimentary to its officers and to the men themselves, on the road, in camp, on duty or off.

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GEORGE GUYETTE, who lives on Berlin side, attempted suicide by taking arsenic Saturday night. He bought an ounce of the poison the previous Tuesday of Frank H. Bascom, saying that he wanted to kill rats with it, but later developments tend to show that the remark was made with some mental reservation. He defeated his purpose, however, by taking too large a dose which resulted in vomiting. He was alive at last accounts with a fair chance for recovery. Domestic infelicity is believed to be the cause of the trouble.

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N. Chase, from Atlanta University, Ga., Rev.
Jos. E. Smith of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Mr.
Philip Page, a native of the Mendi country,
West Africa, now in study at Atlanta, are
going through Vermont and New Hampshire
giving the public the best of fresh intelligence
in regard to the work of the American Missionary Association among the colored people of
the South. These speakers will be in Montpelier and Waterbury Sunday, and it is expected that some of them will speak in Bethany
church morning and evening.

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In the returns to the tax commissioner the gross income of the Montpelier telephone exgross income of the Montpeller telephone exchange for the six months ending July 1st is stated as being \$1004.70. It occurred to us that Mr. Brown would not grow rich very fast at this rate, but on being interrogated on this 'point he informs us that this was merely the amount of cash actually paid to him, and that all moneys due but unpaid were reserved for a later return. As he had settled with only one of the branch exchanges and had several open accounts for rentals, the next semi-annual return will doubtless be much larger.

The subject of a village improvement society.

The subject of a village improvement society is being quietly discussed by those who are interested in the good name of our village, and we hope it will lead to some definite action. Montpelier is acquiring an enviable reputation as a place for summer boarders and we know of instances this season where parties expecting to stop only over night were so much pleased with the place as to remain quite a while. A little work, such as is done by these improvement societies in other places, by way of putting on some finishing touches, would yield a rich return in adding to the attractiveness of the rilling.

Nor many married couples are permitted to enjoy half a century of domestic happiness together and when such is the case, it is very proper that a golden wedding should crown the event. A goodly company of relatives and friends gathered Saturday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney P. Rediield to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their wedding day. Among the guests were their two daughters from the West and their son, Mr. William Redfield from Boston. The presents were numerous and some of them quite valuable, including an elegant diamond ring. Mr. and Mrs. Redfield are long time residents of Montpeller and are held in deserved respect by many neighbors and friends.

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ALL those interested in the question of "Equal Rights" will be glad to hear of the lecture on that subject to be given by Mrs. Tracy Cutler at Capital Hall next Saturday evening at half-past seven. No admission fee will be charged and it is hoped that all who are willing to hear an advocate of woman suffrage will attend. Mrs. Cutler comes to this place as the representative of the New this place as the representative of the New England Woman Suffrage Association, in whose behalf she is lecturing in different parts of the eastern states. It is through means left by the late Lydia Maria Child in charge of Col-onel T. W. Higginson and Mrs. Mary A. Liver-more, to be used at their discretion for the cause of woman suffrage, that this association is enabled to send a representative to this and other parts of New England. Coming as she does, Mrs. Cutler needs no other recommendation to our people. She is expected also to speak on temperance Sunday evening.

They tell a story about two guileless members of Company H, which is too good to keep. It seems that these virtuous youths sauntered out one night at the muster to add one or two blankets to their supply without any fluancial embarrassment, which process is called stealing when indulged in at any other place than a muster. After a little preliminary skirmishing one of them got hold of what he described as a "Lome made blanket" by reaching under the wall of a tent, and he told his companion in crime to pull and they would roll the occupant out of his comfortable covering and secure it for themselves. A series of unearthly yells followed the attempt to carry this plan into execution and revealed the fact that they had grasped an unlucky comrade by the hair of the head, having mistaken it for a "home made blanket." They were a trifle more fortunate in their rext attempt and secured a portion of an overcost which some brave soldier had slept an overcoat which some brave soldier had slept in, in order to keep warm. This ended their expedition, but it will probably be some time before they will hear the last of that "home made blanker."

Seminary Hill.-Professor B. M. Huxley, who had charge of the elecutionary depart-ment last spring, arrived last Friday and is to remain with us a few days. THE annual society reception is to be held one week from next Friday evening. A fine

time is anticipated by all. W. S. BRIGHAM, who has been one of our

number for the past two years, gave us a call last week. He left Saturday morning for Bridgeport, Conn., where be has accepted a position as clerk for Foster, Besse & Co., clothers. We were very sorry to lose him from our ranks, but wish him the best of success. Last Friday evening we had a very pleasant

lyceum and the following resolution was dis-cussed: Resolved, That the fear of punishcassed: Resolved, that the lear of spanishment has a greater effect upon the human conduct than has the hope of reward. Affirmative, Messrs. Leazer and Sargent; negative, Messrs G. H. Spencer and R-ynolds. It was decided in the affirmative by the board of decision.

East Montpelier.—The heavy frosts of last week did considerable damage in some places. The ladies' social improvement society elected new officers at their meeting last Thursday.

Owing to the mutability of human intentions our delegate did not go to the Baptist associa tion as stated last week.

Owing to the evening service in his church owiso to the evening service in his church at Moutpeller, Rev. D. E. Miller will hold no more meetings at the Centre this fall, but students from the seminary are expected to preach here at the usual horr during the re-maining Sundays of this month.

Howard Putnam, who has been at home for a two weeks visit, returned Monday...Mrs. Ann Morse, formerly the widow Barnham, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Roxy Gould, who is gaining but slowly...Mrs. Stephen Gould has been visiting relatives and old time friends in Braintree and Randolph .. luda and Walter Jones, and three of George Sanders' children are in attendance at the Montpeller Union school. Mr Kingsley a resident of our town are in attendance at the Montpeller Union school...Mr. Kingsley, a resident of our town in the long ago, is here looking up friends and relatives... Eather Ann Guernsey has returned to Boston to spend a few weeks...Mr. and Mrs. Hassy Fitch will take the opportunity of visiting relatives in Boston during the fair...A. D. Arms is having a severe attack of rheumatism ...Mrs. Luther Parmenter, who has been afflicted with neuralgia for several weeks, and to be at work again. is able to be at work again... George Davis is superintendent of horses at the state fair this

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